

# The First Dollar Is Free

Mr. Hoppe will report to Mr. E. W. Daniel, commercial agent, and Mr. A. McElroy is appointed joint traveling freight agent of these companies, representing the Seaboard-Savannah line, with headquarters at Pier 10, North Delaware Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. McElroy is also agent for the locomotive of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which is the only one of the latter type in the country, and by far the largest in the world, was placed in active service January 5.

Edward Enders, for many years purser on the Norfolk and Washington line, has resigned to accept a position with the army pay corps.

The total output of the Baldwin Locomotive Works for 1904 was 1,153 locomotives.

General Passenger Agent Ryan, of the Seaboard, was in the city yesterday.

Destined earnings of the Southern Railway for the first week in January were \$738,197, an increase of \$27,361. At this rate the earnings for the year will show an increase of more than a million and a quarter.

**WANT FREE BRIDGE.**

**Grain and Cotton Exchange Adopts Strong Resolutions.**

At a general meeting of the members of the Grain and Cotton Exchange held yesterday morning, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, There is now pending before the City Council of the city of Richmond, a resolution of great interest to this and other commercial bodies of the city of Richmond, said resolution proposing to acquire jointly with the city of Manchester, N. H., a right of way to and to construct on the site thereof a new and modern structure, adequate for the free and unimpeded interchange of commerce between the two cities and the counties adjacent thereto, and to the public of the said cities, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the Richmond Grain and Cotton Exchange, approve and endorse said legislation and express our commendation of the entire movement as being progressive and enterprising, and favor with the most favorable action of our City Council.

Resolved further, That while this important enterprise necessitates the most careful investigation by our city authorities, we hope that no further obstacles may interpose to delay action, as the benefits to accrue will commence immediately upon completion and opening of the bridge to travel. Further delay endangers and may postpone the enterprise indefinitely.

**Box Party at Granite.**

Through the efforts of Miss Eliza Johnson and Miss Pearl Ellington, a successful box party was given Friday night at the home of Mr. G. B. Johnson at Granite, for which the proceeds will be

**THE BAPTIST COUNCIL.**

**Important Special Meeting Called for Tuesday Night.**

An important meeting of the Baptist Council has been called to be held in the parlors of the First Church on Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

The meeting is called to consider matters in the interest of the Education Commission. It is desired that there shall be a full attendance.

**Speak to Colored Men.**

Rev. W. H. White, pastor of the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, will deliver a special address to men only at 5:30 P. M., to-day under the auspices of the Colored Y. M. C. A., at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. The Starlight Quartette will sing. Solo by Mr. Walter D. Jones. Come and bring another man.

**Committee Meetings.**

The following committees will meet at the City Hall this week.

Monday—Streets, Light, Water, Poor and Health at 8 o'clock, and Cemeteries at 5:30.

Tuesday—Finance 8 P. M.

Thursday—Grounds and Buildings 8 P. M.

Friday—Ordinances 8 P. M.

**Sheltering Aid Society.**

A general mass meeting and election of officers of the Hebrew Sheltering Aid Society will be held on Sunday, January 15th, at 2 P. M., at No. 1516 East Main Street.

Speakers from New York and Baltimore will be here to address the public, and therefore will invite all to come.

**Gone to Washington.**

Mr. E. Harvey Spence left last night for Washington, to meet some eastern drummers to lay in the stock for his new store on Ninth Street.

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**MR. TODD'S GOOD PLACE.**

**Gone to Mexico to Accept Government Position.**

Mr. Charles L. Todd, Jr., of this city, has accepted a position upon the engineering staff of Colonel Edgar K. Smoot, engaged in the work of harbor construction in the port of Manzanillo, Mexico. He sailed from New York on the steamship Esperanza on Thursday, touching at Havana, Cuba, on the 14th, at Progreso on the 18th, and Vera Cruz on the 20th, and thence via rail to Mexico City.

Manzanillo is on the Pacific coast, about 400 miles from Mexico City, and is reached partly by narrow gauge railway and partly by mule and pack trains.

Mr. Todd graduated in civil engineering from the Virginia Military Institute in 1901, and has many friends in this city.

**MAY GO OVER FOR LIFE.**

**William Jones Has Long Term Staring Him in the Face.**

Wm. Jones alias Wm. Johnson, the negro arrested by Detectives Willshire and McMahon, will likely get a long term in the penitentiary as evidence is rapidly piling up against him.

Chief Justice thinks the arrest a most important one and a hard fight will be made by the Commonwealth to convict him. Three new charges were brought and as many additional warrants served upon the negro in his cell on yesterday, all alleging the theft of jewelry, clothing and other things from various parties.

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